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Chicago Congress Hits AJ Committee And ZOA For Demands On Israel

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CHICAGO—Both the American Jewish Committee and the Zionist Organization of America were sharply criticized this week for their demands on Israel at the 16th annual convention of the Chicago division of the American Jewish Congress.

The convention was aided in formulation of its stand on Israel by guest speaker Dr. David W. Petegorsky, national Congress executive director.

The convention adopted a resolution opposing any Congress stand for "clarification" or "special recognition" from Israel as the price for whole-hearted help to the Jewish State.

Discussion in committee and on the convention floor on the relations of American Jewry PETEGORSKY to Israel began with veiled references to other organizations but soon developed into straightforward denunciations.

The non-Zionist AJ Committee was assailed for its "clarification-demanding policy." The ZOA was hit for asking for a special status.

THE NEW PILGRIMAGE

"The traditional rite of ascension to Jerusalem on the Three Festivals has been transformed to pilgrimages in quest of assistance from David Ben-Gurion," said Petegorsky. He made the crack while commenting to delegates on the resolution which he termed "one of the most important to come out of the convention."

As finally revised the resolution urged the Congress to offer a positive example to other Jewish groups in that regard. An earlier draft had called on "Zionist and other Jewish organizations in this country to refrain from making interference in Israel's internal political life the price for their support and assistance to that state."

The convention adopted unanimously a resolution approving efforts by responsible bodies to set up a local community council.

A SHARP EXCHANGE

A committee session had heard acrid exchanges over that reso-

lution, when Rabbi Morton M. Berman, retiring Chicago president, explained the matter to a noisily suspicious member of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order.

Rabbi Berman urged the JPFO member to check his facts "in past issues of a good newspaper, such as the National Jewish Post."

A third proposed resolution which attracted wide attention among the delegates called upon "our fellow Jews to leave Germany . . . condemn those who take up permanent residence in what only yesterday has been the charnel house of six million Jews . . . and call upon global Jewish organizations to sever all relations with the permanent German Jewish communities."

RESOLUTION KILLED

The resolution was approved in committee with one dissenting vote but was tabled during floor discussion after Max Bressler, president of the Zionist Organization of Chicago, sharply questioned the "competence of Chicago Jewry to advise the Jews of Germany about anything."

Petegorsky assailed the McCarran-Wood anti-Subversive law as "administratively unenforceable."

Dr. Israel Goldstein, chairman of the western hemisphere executive of the World Jewish Congress, spoke at an open evening session. He said the current government crisis in Israel was due mainly to the economic difficulties created by Israel's open door policy.

THE BLAME LAID

"In a sense, it can be said that the Jews of America bear a responsibility for that crisis because they failed to provide adequate resources for immigrant absorption," he said.

Reform Rabbi Theodore S. Ross of South Temple, was elected to succeed Rabbi Berman. Vice presidents elected were David Gilbert, David F. Silverzweig and Rabbi Jacob J. Weinstein of KAM Temple.

Other officers named were Harry Kliff, recording secretary, Samuel S. Weiss, financial secretary, and Mrs. Charles Schneider, treasurer.



BERMAN

CJFWF JOINS WITH SPONSORS OF ISRAEL CRISIS CONCLAVE

WASHINGTON—More than 1,000 delegates, representing virtually every element of the American Jewish community, gathered here this weekend to find ways and means of providing one billion dollars from American Jewry to meet Israel's critical needs.

Sponsors of the National Planning Conference for Israel, which will end Sunday, said the gathering was the most representative assembly of Jews to be held in the United States in the past decade.

Represented in the 42 organizations participating in the conference were all American Zionist and civic defense groups, synagogue, women's and fraternal organizations.

CJFWF SPONSOR

The list of organizations released early this week included, for the first time, the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, among the sponsoring organizations.

The CJFWF, which represents nationally the 300 local federations and welfare funds, reportedly had been hesitant about becoming a sponsor.

Israel sent a top sheaf of its leaders to the conference, including three ministers, Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan, Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett and Labor Minister Golda Myerson.

Other Israeli leaders present were Ambassador Abba Eban; Berl Locker, chairman, and Levi Eshkol, treasurer, of the Jewish Agency for Palestine.

SNYDER SPEAKER

John W. Snyder, U. S. Secretary of the Treasury, and Leon Keyserling, Chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers, also will address the conclave.

The conference was planned as a follow-up to a crisis conference in Jerusalem Sept. 3 attended by 50 American Jewish leaders. They were told of Israel plans to absorb 600,000 migrants from the Soviet satellite states and the Moslem countries in the next three years.

To do so and to put the infant state on a sound basis economically, Premier David Ben-Gurion told the Jerusalem conference that \$1,500,000,000 would be required. He said Israeli Jewry would provide one-third, with the remaining billion a task largely for American Jewry.

STARTS FRIDAY

The convention was opened by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the American section of the Jewish Agency. Kaplan and Eshkol were scheduled to discuss the economic problems of Israel. Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, director-general of the Joint Distribution Committee, was to report on Jewish rehabilitation throughout the world.

Frank Goldman, president of B'nai B'rith, Adolph Held, chairman of the Jewish Labor Com-

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day until a dinner meeting at 7 p. m. Speakers at the Saturday night session will include Rabbi Irving Miller, president of the American Jewish Congress; Edward M. M. Warburg, chairman of the JDC; Jacob Blaustein, president of the American Jewish Committee; Mrs. Myerson, and Dr. Goldmann.

Keyserling and Ambassador Eban will address morning sessions Sunday. Sunday afternoon sessions will get down to the business of considering resolutions drafted by the conference steering committee.

The resolutions are expected to deal with a program calling for an expanded United Jewish Appeal campaign, stimulation of private investment in Israel, and a proposed Israel Government bond sale in the United States.

Jewish Education Meet Postponed To Jan. 13

NEW YORK—The first National Conference on Jewish Education, scheduled for Oct. 28-30, has been postponed to avert conflict with the National Planning Conference for Israel.

Some 1,000 delegates were registered for the education meeting, scheduled for New York. The new dates for the education conclave is Jan. 13 and 14.

Elections In Israel Unlikely; Country Calm As Parleys Go On

TEL AVIV, Israel—Problems of registration of 200,000 newcomers since Israel's first election were cited this week as a major barrier against an early election to settle the Jewish State's first Governmental crisis.

Meanwhile, as heavy party talks continued, the country went quietly about its business, providing fresh proof of the basic stability of the new republic.

Premier David Ben-Gurion had indicated that his inability to form a new coalition Government required new elections immediately.

TOO MUCH WORK

Early this week, the Parliamentary Legal Committee, which would draft the election law, held a meeting. The committee was told that a check of the old registration lists and the addition of the names of the newcomers would take at least six months.

Previously Ben-Gurion had informed President Chaim Weizmann that he was currently unable to form a new Government. President Weizmann thereupon asked Justice Minister Pinkhas Rosen to try it.

Dr. Rosen heads the small Progressive party with five seats in the 120-man Parliament. He has been active in behind-the-scenes parleys to end the stalemate that began last week when Ben-Gurion resigned.

Party leaders told Rosen, in Israel.

early negotiations, that they had received cables from Jewish organizations in the United States. The Jewish groups warned that the crisis was harming Israel.

NOT ENOUGH VOTES

Ben-Gurion was reported ready to gamble on an election in the hope of getting a clear majority. The Maipai polled on 35 per cent of the total votes in the 1949 election, the largest single party vote but far short of a majority.

(In the United States, Israeli Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan said that the Israeli cabinet will continue to function until a new cabinet is formed or until elections are held).

The Argentine-Israel Economic Corporation has announced that 5,000 tons of kosher meat have been purchased for shipment to Israel. The Corporation also announced that a large number of orders have been placed by Argentine firms for dentures and kerosene stoves manufactured in

BLACK MARKET ARRESTS EASE IN ISRAEL; COPS SATISFIED

TEL AVIV—Israel police authorities said this week they believed that the recent crackdown on black market operators had cut deeply into such activities.

The number of arrests on suspicion of such operations has slackened during the past week, according to the Jewish CHRONICLE of London.

The average during the past week was about 10 a day compared to 45 when the drive first opened early this month.

Police officials said they believed the campaign had convinced black market operators that such activities were both dangerous and profitless.

A crackdown against too much use of handcuffs was ordered. Some policemen slapped the cuffs on suspects immediately upon arrest, despite specific instructions to manacle suspects only when they resisted.

Israel Moslems Set 17 As Wedding Limit

JERUSALEM—A convention of Moslem judges here approved a decision by the Israel Parliament setting the minimum marital age for girls at 17 and boys boys at 18. Moslem religious courts will be empowered to annul marriages of younger persons.

Young Peoples Synagogue In Washington To Become Full-Fledged Congregation

By DANIEL THURSZ

National Jewish Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C. (NJP)—A young people's synagogue launched by the Bachelors Club of a local B'nai B'rith lodge drew so well on the High Holy Days that plans are booming for a permanent new congregation.

The Washington Young People's Synagogue was organized by the Bachelors Club of the Independence Lodge of B'nai three months ago.

The club is made up of some 40 men between the ages of 25 and 35. At the start, the synagogue goal was to organize High Holy Day services for young persons. The sponsors hoped that if the response was good, they could plan occasional Friday evening services and holiday celebrations.

DREW 400 YOUTH

More than 400 young persons attended the High Holy Day services, which were held at the Hotel 2400 in mid-town Washington.

The majority of those attending were government workers, many of whom live in boarding homes and many of whom could not return to their home towns for the services. Each worshipper was charged \$8.50 for seats.

Rabbi Ezra Cohen, president of the Washington Board of rabbis, served as spiritual leader. Cantor Ben Wostein, a member of the Bachelors club, served in that capacity.

CLUB WILL HELP

Herman Schechtel, acting president of the new congregation, told The POST that the Bachelors Club did not intend to continue to act as sponsor of the Young People's Synagogue.

"While the Bachelor's Club is proud of its share in the organization of this new and unique con-

gregation, we realize fully that the synagogue must be in the hands of those who participate in its services," he said.

He said that henceforth the new synagogue would be independent but that the Bachelors club "will of course continue to lend its support together with other Jewish organizations and individuals."

Plans for organization of a permanent congregation were outlined at a meeting attended by more than 200 persons in response to an invitation sent to all who attended the first High Holy Day services.

The meeting rejected a suggestion from Schechtel that services be held twice a month and by an overwhelming vote approved regular Friday evening services.

Committees were organized to plan other synagogue activities and to survey various halls which might become available as a permanent place of worship.

For the time being, the congregation has accepted the invitation of a leading Orthodox synagogue, the Tifereth Israel, to use its facilities for initial services.

Rabbi Harry Silverstone, spiritual leader, also has offered his help without charge for Friday evening services and Cantor Ben

Wostein will also serve.

CONSERVATIVE GROUP

Services for the new congregation have been designed largely along Conservative lines.

The new congregation has evoked discussion in Washington synagogue circles. One of the major questions being asked is the extent to which the new congregation may affect attendance of young persons at other synagogues.

In recent years, most of the local synagogues have made efforts to attract young adults and the attempts have had some success.

British Youth Reject Rabbinate As Career

LONDON — Failure of British Jewish youth to enter training for the rabbinate was sharply criticized last week by the British Conference of Provincial Representative Councils.

Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie told a meeting of the Jews College Council that he had received a statement from the Conference on that problem, according to the Jewish CHRONICLE of London.

The Chief Rabbi said he hoped to see a nation-wide conclave in the near future to see what could be done to attract more Jewish youth into the ministry.

In Israel, gladioli take no more than three months to grow—in summer even less. Cultivation of these flowers and of carnations, is expanding so rapidly and their quality improving so considerably, that they are expected to be in good demand in countries like the U.S., Switzerland, Belgium, and Sweden.

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Two More Chapters Of Jewish Fraternity Aid Blackballed Negro

BOSTON—Two more chapters of a national Jewish fraternity have entered the fight against the fraternity's national officers on the issue of admission of a Negro student.

The battle started when the Grand Council of Phi Epsilon Pi suspended the Connecticut chapter for pledging Alfred E. Rogers, Negro varsity football player and president of the 1949 freshman class at Connecticut.

The three New York chapters of the fraternity responded with a vote to secede from the fraternity, then decided to give the Grand Council a chance to lift the suspension.

SUPPORT FIGHT

Last week, the chapters at Boston University and Tufts College voted to support the Connecticut chapter, according to the Jewish TIMES of Boston.

David Cohen of Lawrence, president of the Boston U. chapter, and David Greenblatt of Brookline said no chapters had actually withdrawn in the spreading controversy, according to the local Anglo-Jewish weekly.

"We feel that all this publicity is detrimental both to the Negro student and to Phi Epsilon Pi," they said. "However, we are confident that the situation will be remedied within the next six weeks and the Negro student will become a member of the Connecticut chapter in good standing."

REFERENDUM STARTED

Earlier it had been reported that 15 chapters, representing the Eastern Seaboard colleges, had decided to petition the Grand Council to reconsider the case and they asked for a referendum in which all chapters would vote on the question of permitting Rogers to become a member.

Cohen and Greenblatt told the Jewish TIMES that "a referendum, which we originated, is now being circulated to all Phi Epsilon Pi fraternities asking for a change in national policy. According to present indications, this referendum will be approved without any difficulty and all barriers will be eliminated."

The two fraternity men said that the fraternity's national charter "now carries a non-sectarian clause but it is not enforced."

NEGROES ACCEPTABLE

As far as the two Boston chapters were concerned, the two men told the Anglo-Jewish weekly that "We're ready to admit Negroes and anybody else who desires membership. Our Boston U. chapter and other Phi Ep fraternities throughout the country have helped a number of newly-launched Negro fraternities get rolling."

"We're going to support the Connecticut chapter all the way up to the point of withdrawal," they said. "There's nothing what-

soever to be gained by pulling out."

The TIMES reported that at the fraternity's convention in Minneapolis in September, the blackball of the Negro student was sustained by the individual chapters, 22 to 11, with Tufts among those in the minority group.

"The majority of the delegates were uninstructed by their chapters on this issue as apparently the Grand Council was attempting to steamroll it through," Howard Spivak, president of the Tufts chapter, said. "Since then it has been obvious that the delegates did not voice the true sentiments of their chapters."

THE THREE CHAPTERS

The three New York chapters were those of Queens College, New York University and City College of New York. The CCNY chapter was the founding unit of the fraternity.

The decision to delay action on secession followed a meeting at the University of Connecticut. Irving R. Channels, chancellor of the suspended chapter, urged the New York members and representatives of 11 other Eastern Seaboard colleges at the meeting to work within the organization for the reinstatement of the suspended chapter and admission of Rogers.

German Arrested For Hate-Peddling

MUNICH (WNS) — Martinus Huber, a German sculptor who has been ranting that "too few Jews have been killed," has been arrested on charges of inciting to racial hatred, the Bavarian Ministry of Justice announced this week.

Huber displayed his "artistic" talent by posting signs on the walls of houses in Groebenzell urging the killing of more Jews.

Vermont U. Offers First Hebrew Class

BURLINGTON, Vt.—The University of Vermont is offering this year for the first time, a course in Elementary Hebrew with three semester credits.

Harry H. Kahn, advisor to the Hillel Foundation here is teaching the course.

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AJ Committee Uncertain Whether To Stay In Legion Anti-Red Group

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK—The American Jewish Committee believes the much-criticized All-American Conference to Combat Communism can serve a constructive purpose but has not yet decided on staying in the group, it was revealed this week.

The position of the U.S. Jewish civic defense agency was revealed in the current issue of the "Committee Reporter," official organ of the group.

Edwin J. Lukas, director of the AJ Committee's Civil Rights Department, explained that the AJ Committee accepted the initial invitation of the American Legion to help plan and sponsor the Conference in line with the defense agency's long-time fight against Communism.

A SLIGHT SHOCK

He revealed that the AJ Committee had been "somewhat disquieted by the failure of the Legion to invite many well-known liberal anti-Communist organizations to join in the discussion, and by the fact that among the groups initially involved were at least one individual and organization whose anti-Communist activities frequently have racist and anti-Semitic overtones."

Lukas' reference was to the failure of the American Legion to invite such liberal Jewish groups as the American Jewish Congress. The individual and organization to which he referred as involved in hate-peddling was Merwin K. Hart and his National Economic Council.

CONGRESS CRITICAL

The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and the Jewish War Veterans participated in formation of the Conference and were severely criticized for doing so by the Congress.

The ADL defended its participation by saying that it had simply sent observers to the original meeting but the JWV assailed critics of the conference and spoke vigorously in defense of the new anti-Communist program. Subsequently, the Conference revealed plans to screen out bigoted groups and Hart and his organization were quietly dropped. (NJP, March 3, March 31).

Lukas reported that the AJ Committee sought to broaden the scope of the Conference to a fight against all totalitarianisms. In that effort, it was hampered by the absence of Jewish and non-Jewish liberal groups and labor representation.

IT WAS A FIGHT

Despite that problem, the AJ Committee decided to send delegates to the plenary session of the conference in Chicago last May, where the delegates fought to incorporate their ideas into the conference program.

Lukas said his group at first "met with considerable opposition from the conference as a whole. As the session progressed, however, we were able to mobilize sufficient support for our position to win passage of a number of important agreements."

Lukas revealed that the next plenum of the conference will be

held in Buffalo in November, but he did not give the date.

Summarizing the AJ Committee position, Lukas said that "as of now, it would appear that the identification of the AJ Committee with the All-American conference can serve a constructive purpose."

WHAT IT DOES

"It demonstrates the feasibility of allying ourselves with those groups within the confer-

ence which share our passionate desire to preserve truly democratic processes as the surest antidote to Communist doctrines," he said.

Lukas reported that the AJC executive committee "has not yet made the final decision as to our permanent affiliation with the Conference. This decision will, however, probably be made within the next few months."

Synagogue Whose Rabbi Quit Over Bingo Bans All Gambling

PHILADELPHIA—In response to the action of a rabbi in resigning in protest against approval of bingo as a means of synagogue fund-raising, his congregation last week voted to forbid not only bingo but also all forms of gambling within the synagogue.

The Board of Managers of Temple Beth Israel voted a sweeping ban at a special meeting, the Philadelphia Jewish TIMES reported last week.

TABLE RESIGNATION

The board voted to table the resignation of Rabbi Meyer Finkelstein until its next meeting Nov. 5. The table was understood to be a move aimed at giving the rabbi a chance to withdraw his resignation, which he had made effective Jan. 1.

Rabbi Finkelstein resigned when a majority of the Board members voted to continue bingo as a part of the congregation's fund-raising program.

The TIMES reported that the resignation of Martin J. Feld as a member of the congregation, which Feld offered to support the rabbi's protest action, was unanimously accepted by the board.

In adopting its anti-gambling program, the Temple board gave full approval to the program of the Philadelphia Board of Rabbis, which several months ago ordered a ban on all forms of gambling in all local synagogues.

The action was taken by the rabbinical body following an exposure of synagogue gambling by Arnold Ginsburg, TIMES columnist.

The Temple board, in taking the anti-gambling action, called on the rabbinical board to enforce rigidly its ban, and to include in the edict all forms of card playing, raffles and all games of chance.

A SUBSTITUTE

The board also announced plans for a huge entertainment to make up for the loss in its fund-raising from the anti-gambling stand.

In a statement on the issue, the board said that "after a full and open discussion of the bingo

phase of the Novelty Night, the Board unanimously agreed to abolish all games of chance, in accordance with a previous stand banning gambling in or by synagogues or affiliates taken by the Philadelphia Board of Rabbis.

"No form of chance will be permitted within the confines of the Temple properties. This not only includes bingo, but the playing of cards, the raffling of any articles or any other game of chance."

The statement called the step a "drastic" one and added that it hoped "that it is paving the way for the abolition of all gambling by religious groups in the local Jewish Community."

New Shoe Plant Starts Output Quickly

JERUSALEM—The first pair of shoes rolled off the assembly line in the Jerusalem Shoe Corporation's plant only 120 days after construction began on the biggest factory of its kind in the Middle East.

The production schedule calls for 3,000 pairs of shoes a day, two-thirds of which were originally planned for export. Now that rationing has been introduced the export figures will probably be raised, it was said.

The number of housing units built in Israel in 1949 was 30,000, while the number scheduled for the current year is 40,000, it was stated.

British Target of Sternists Says Never Was Anti-Semite

LONDON—Roy E. Farran, who as head of a special secret military unit, became one of the most hated men in Palestine during the British Mandate, was on record this week with a statement that he had no animus against Israel or the Zionist movement. He insisted also that he had never been an anti-Semite.

As head of the special unit, Farran was accused of leading the strong contingent of anti-Semites in British Mandatory officialdom. His career in Palestine came to an end when he was accused of murdering a 16-year-old Jewish boy, Alexander Rubovitz. Farran fled the country when the parents filed murder charges. He returned and was acquitted by a British military court. (NJP, Feb. 20, 1948).

NUMBER ONE TARGET FOR STERNISTS

He became a number one target for the two pre-Israel terrorist gangs, the Irgun Zvai Leumi and the Sternists. A year later, a parcel bomb, addressed to him, was opened by his brother, who was killed by the explosion.

Nearly three years later, Farran has expressed his attitude on the whole story into an article, "My Views on Anti-Semitism," which appeared in a recent issue of "The Jewish Monthly," published in London.

Farran said that "it is wrong to dub all those who sympathized with the Arabs as anti-Semites or haters of Jewry just as it would be wrong to call all those soldiers who fought in the Irish troubles haters of British."

He said that speaking for himself, "Israel is here, I presume it is here to stay and I wish it well."

He insisted that "I can in no way be called an anti-Semite, or for that matter a hater of anything, believing as I do that hatred is a symptom of the unbalance of a small mind."

HAD A JOB TO DO

He described his role as a military official in these terms: "As a so-called expert in terrorism, I fought the terrorists according to my brief, but after the battle was over I carried away no legacy of long term hate. I had been a terrorist. They were terrorists. Why should I hate?"

Farran discussed the assassination of his brother, but insisted that the event had not made him an anti-Semite.

"Long after I had left the scene my brother was executed by the Stern Gang, presumably in mistake for me," he wrote. "I should not have been natural if I had not been angry to the point of madness for a short while but reason has a great power to soothe passion."

He made it plain, however, that he was not merely a soldier carrying out orders when he fought the Jewish underground in Palestine.

HE HAD SOME REASONS, TOO

"I must admit that at one time I had grave doubts about the wisdom of extreme Zionism," he declared.

He said he believed that dual nationalism was present in such forms of Zionism and that he feared the economic poverty of Palestine was so great "that it would not in any way provide the living space necessary for Jews and Arabs together."

"There was also a suspicion in my mind that Israel was pro-Russian, possibly arising from the fact that many immigrant training camps were behind the Iron Curtain and that a kibbutz (collective) resembled a Communist farm."

"This I now realize, was both unfair and unfounded, since no lasting development scheme can hope to succeed without communal farms in the beginning," he added.

DID NOT EVER HATE TERRORISTS

He commented also on the two terrorist gangs, remarking that "although I do not condone their acts any more than the responsible Jewish bodies did, I could not hate them for their various attacks."

"I do not believe that in the long run they did much to help the Zionist cause," he wrote, adding that it was not entirely the fault of the terrorists that "a rather nasty strain of hatred was introduced into the campaign by such small-minded non-combatants as Ben Hecht. I, and many other British soldiers, were not without admiration for the courage of such men as Dov Gruner." Gruner was an Irgunist who was hanged by the British.

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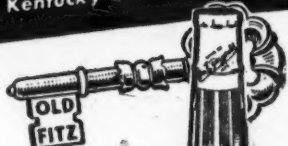
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Half of Indonesia Jews Are Vigorously Assimilating

LONDON—At least half of the 2,000 Jews in the Malay Archipelago are making a vigorous and successful effort at complete assimilation.

The disclosure that at least 1,000 persons of Jewish birth have rejected all ties with Indonesian Jewry was made in a copyrighted report in the Jewish CHRONICLE of London.

Many of these runaway Jews have married outside the faith, some have taken native wives and others have become converted to some other religion, the correspondent reported.

The huge number of non-professing Jews is due in part to a lack of organized Jewish communal life. The danger of the whole community disappearing through assimilation was realized several years ago, however, by Jewish leaders. They organized

Jewish clubs and Zionist societies.

"Today, these clubs, and particularly the Zionist bodies, are active and flourishing," the correspondent reported.

He reported there was nothing in the long history of Jewish life in the island chain to lead to such wide-spread defections. Jews have lived in Indonesia for about 150 years. The majority are of Dutch origin, but there are also small groups of Iraqi, Russian and German Jews.

Under Dutch rule, Jews occupied important posts in the Government and one Jew, Jan Coen, was Dutch Governor-General and founded Batavia.

Early Jewish settlers had a major role in the commercial development of the islands and the ma-

jority of Jews are still active in commerce and trade.

There are no rabbis on the islands. Services, nevertheless are conducted regularly, following the Sephardic ritual. The synagogue in Surabaya was plundered and destroyed by the Japanese but has since been rebuilt.

After five years of Indonesian independence, the Jews of Indonesia are not so sure about the future. There has been no interference with their normal life but increasing anti-alien feeling, plus Indonesia's growing internal disorders, has created some misgivings.

Still, few Jews have left the islands since independence. A few have left for Israel but the vast majority are staying.

I THINK AS I PLEASE

BERLE'S AND BENNY'S VIEWS ON MATTERS JEWISH 15 YEARS AGO

By CARL ALPERT

MAY I get in on the discussion relative to the Jewish interests of outstanding Jewish radio and screen stars? The controversy which has been raging in the columns of The POST lent an exaggerated importance to the question, and I would not normally give the subject a second thought had I not found some material of interest in my own files.

In 1937 I interviewed Milton Berle and published the account in the Jewish Advocate of Boston. He didn't have much of importance to say at the time. He commented on the Arab uprisings in Palestine, and prodded by my questions and comments added:

"I'd like to take six months off and visit the land, I belong to the Hollywood Zionist District... I wonder what I'd sound like wise-cracking in Hebrew. I learned just about enough of the language to get me by my bar mitzvah."

Berle was indignant about a bill pending before the Massachusetts State Legislature which would have compelled all actors, musicians and others to appear in public only under their own given names. This was supposed to "expose" foreigners and Jews who were hiding behind assumed Anglo-Saxon names.

Milton Berlinger would still be identifiable, he said, but he wondered what would happen to Benny Kubelsky (Jack Benny), Sadie Marks (Mary Livingston), Greta Gustafsson (Greta Garbo), Ruby Stevens (Barbara Stanwyck), Lily Chauchin (Claudette Colbert), Lucille LeSouer (John Crawford).

WHEN I interviewed Jack Benny, also in Boston, back in April, 1935, he had a lot more to say which may be as controversial today as it was then. I asked him a number of leading questions, particularly about Jewish comedians who caricature the Jews, and recorded his answer as follows:

"I don't go in for anything like that. Any of the Jewish characters I use, like Schlepperman, for example, are harmless and humorous types that nobody should take offense at. But we Jews take ourselves too seriously. Perhaps that's one of the things that gets us into a lot of trouble. Some people come to the theater looking for something like that. They are like the boy who cried 'wolf.' They see anti-Semitism in everything and fall all over themselves and friendly individuals. You can't satisfy this type. Why, if I were to tell a joke that began: 'Mr. Goldberg was walking down the street...' these people would sit up and say: 'Aha, he's starting in on the Jews.' The mere mention of a Jewish name is enough to send them into a fever."

"There are plenty of jokes about the tightness of scotchmen, things—perhaps I'll be misinterpreted, but I honestly feel them

a laugh out of a Scotch joke. The Jew always feels that he is being belittled, that somebody is ridiculing him. Perhaps it's the centuries of oppression and persecution and all that, but the Jews have become over-sensitive as a race."

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ALPERT

Midwest Section Of JWB Again Slates Business Sessions On Sabbath At Meet

National Jewish Post

CHICAGO—A program for the 12th annual meeting of the midwest section of the National Jewish Welfare Board, made public this week, listed a full afternoon schedule for Saturday, Nov. 18.

The schedule of working sessions on the Sabbath recalled a controversy earlier this year between Rabbi Oscar Fleishaker of Rock Island, Ill., and the JWB over previous programs which violated the Sabbath.

Rabbi Fleishaker's refusal to attend a Chicago meeting of the midwest section of the JWB last February brought a shift in the schedule. Plans for Friday evening work sessions were cancelled.

Subsequently the Rock Island rabbi complained that a date for a meeting of a special committee of the National Conference of Jewish Social Welfare would violate Passover. Steps were taken to change that date.

The 12th annual meeting of the midwest section will be held in Louisville at the Kentucky hotel Nov. 17-19.

Apparently in response to such criticisms, officials of the section have listed a community religious service for Friday evening and for Saturday morning, as well as an Oneg Shabbat at 4 p. m.

For Saturday afternoon, however, sessions have been set on personnel, center relationships, health education and recreation for the aged.

to be true. Being a Jew I can say them. It's not as if I were a non-Jew.

"WE KNOW THAT as Jews we have certain peculiarities, certain characteristic gestures and intonations. Shall we be sensitive about them? Shall we think people ridicule the Jewish people if they imitate these gestures? On stage and radio shows actors imitate all races and nationalities—it's part of the cosmopolitanism of this country."

"Now in show business we get over this trace of inferiority because there is no room for prejudice or petty differences. The show business is a huge melting pot and we are all in it for what we can do. If you ever hear that a young Jewish actor or musician didn't get a chance because he was Jewish, don't you believe it. The man or woman with ability will get ahead in this line, no matter what his ancestry or religious affiliation."

Well, there you have Jack Benny's views uttered some 15 years ago. I toss them into the hopper for whatever interest they may have today.

Members Migrating: Jewish Club Leased

HONG KONG — (WNS) — Because the 80 members of the Shanghai Jewish Club can no longer raise the high operating costs of their club building, the property, valued at \$1,000,000, has been leased to a Chinese institution here, it was reported this week.

The property was leased on the advice of the Israel Government, which had received the building as a present from the members last year in order to guarantee that it remain in Jewish hands. When the Shanghai Jewish Club purchased the property in 1945 it had a membership of 800. Now it has shrunk to 80 members.

Israel Buys Three Boats From France

TEL AVIV—The first of three deep sea fishing boats, the 400 ton "Shalomith," was recently purchased in France by the Israel "Ezra" company.

All three ships will ply the international fishing waters in the North Sea and the Atlantic.

DIGEST OF YIDDISH PRESS

IS DIABETES A JEWISH DISEASE? STATISTICS PROVE IT IS NOT

By RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

IS diabetes a Jewish disease? No, says Dr. S. Dubovsky, the JOURNAL'S medical authority (every Yiddish newspaper has a medical section). Statistics prove that more non-Jews than Jews, both quantitatively and proportionally, suffer from the disease.

The same is true of Berger's disease, long regarded as a Hebrew illness.

Not All Phases of Maccabiah Were Proper

The recent Maccabiah in Israel produced a galaxy of physical feats but none was more arduous than that performed by the man who stage-managed the spectacle: Abraham Krinitzky, mayor of Rammat Gan. A former Polish cobbler, Krinitzky turned heaven and earth to steal the Maccabiah ball from Tel Aviv and Haifa.

When he did, he set about getting the town refurbished and an enormous stadium constructed. But, as the colossal event approached, he took ill. Disobeying doctor's orders, he rose from his sickbed and presided at the opening ceremonies, as his physician nervously flanked him.

As a sports event and pageant, the Maccabiah was most impressive, writes David Flinker in the JOURNAL. To see the procession of Jewish athletes from 25 countries, with their native flags flying overhead was thrilling. As far as athletics are concerned, Flinker doesn't know first base from a hole in the ground, but he was assured by the sports cognate that the athletes showed great skill.

But Flinker does know who is supposed to recite a memorial prayer. The prayer was recited in memory of the murdered Jews of Europe. When he heard it chanted by a woman at the Jewish Olympics, he was jarred. He was even more jarred when he heard the Shma Yisroel secularized at the Maccabiah.

It came out "Hear, O Israel, the destiny of Israel, its destiny is one."

That's "cultural vandalism," he roars. Flinker also notes that this Maccabiah did not draw as many tourists to the Holy Land as did its two predecessors, in 1932 and 1936. As a matter of fact, the stadium, the largest in the Middle East, with a space for 50,000 persons, was only half full.



SILVER

AUSSIE JEWRY SPLITS IN FIGHT ON GERMAN IMMIGRATION

MELBOURNE, Australia—The battle of the Australian Jewish community against German immigration brought a split this week.

M. J. Ashkanasy resigned as president of both the executive council of Australian Jewry and the Victorian Jewish Board of Deputies on the issue, the Jewish CHRONICLE of London reported.

Ashkanasy had insisted that the executive council alone handle the fight against German entrance. The fight has been handled until now by a special committee of the executive council and the Jewish Council to Combat Fascism and anti-Semitism.

The Jewish leader charged the latter group with Communist tendencies and said the Jewish community had to approach the Australian Government with "clean hands."

Jubilee Fund Sought In B'nai Jeshurun Fele

NEW YORK—A \$500,000 jubilee fund has been launched in connection with the 125th anniversary of Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, which begins a month-long celebration this weekend.

Rabbi Israel Goldstein, world Zionist leader, is spiritual leader of the congregation.



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BIAS TOWARD ORIENTAL JEWS THREAT TO ISRAEL INTEGRATION

JERUSALEM—Western Jews in Israel have a 'good-natured color prejudice' toward Oriental Jews which has resulted in many a sobbing Yemenite or North African Jewish child bitterly hurt by the label "Blackie."

Jon Kimche, ace correspondent in Israel for the Jewish CHRONICLE of London, reports that situation in seeking an answer to the question of whether Israel can develop out of its many incoming Jewish cultures a truly "Homo Israeli."

In a series in the London Anglo-Jewish weekly, Kimche argued that all other problems in that melting-pot program are overshadowed by the danger of a permanent split between Western Jews, living in the twentieth century of western civilization, and Oriental Jews, just emerging from medieval serfdom.

COLOR PREJUDICE

Kimche said that the color prejudice is linked with an "exceptional lack of sensitivity" on the part of Western Jews in dealing with the Oriental Jews.

"More lately this has been further conditioned by a growing uneasiness that, before very long, the Oriental tide may overtake the dominant position which the Western Jews hold in the life of Israel," he reported.

The friendly color prejudice is most markedly shown by the common reference to children in schools to the "blackies" in their midst. German Jews among the Jewish Agency officials concerned with immigration refer good-humoredly and even affectionately to "Die Schwarzen."

TOO INSENSITIVE

Kimche said it demonstrated the insensitivity of much of Israel's population that neither children, adults nor officials "are aware of what hurt and damage they inflict on the immigrant child or immigrant labelled, no matter how innocently, according to the color of his skin."

Kimche emphasized that such attitudes were wholly lacking in the contempt or unreasoning hatred marking attitudes of whites toward colored persons in South Africa or Southern United States.

Nevertheless, Yemenite and North African children come home from school after being called "blackies" by other children "reacting in exactly the same manner as did so many children in Germany and Eastern Europe when they were called 'Yid' or 'Jud' by their Gentile class-mates."

The net result is that Oriental Jews suffer shocks in Israel which harden their differences with western Jewry.

The significance of this problem is heightened by the figures of Oriental immigration. Since May 1948, 151,000 such Jews have arrived, of whom 55,000 are children under 15.

Kimche said the balance was not entirely on the side of the Western Jews in terms of the needs of the state. Oriental Jews frequently comment that their Western brethren appear to have lost the two great qualities of Jewish tradition—the feeling of compassion and humility.

The correspondent generally declined to speculate on the

meaning of this superiority attitude for the great issue of a Jewish State—how Jews will behave in a land in which they are a majority, in terms of the compassionate ethics of a tradition created largely in exile by a minority.

Kimche said flatly that the new immigration has not produced a melting pot. The new immigrants do not sink their differences. He reported few intermarriages between Eastern and Western Jewry in Israel and that the few that do occur are seldom successful.

The hope for a unified Israeli Jewish type lies in the native-born, the correspondent reported.

NATIVE OUTLOOK

The native-born of the Oriental Jews have broken completely with some of the old traditions, but not with all. They are sabrim (natives) but different from the native-born children of Western Jews.

"Like the German Jews, who now jokingly and almost proudly refer to themselves as 'Yekkes' and have ceased to be hurt by this one-time term of contempt, so the second generation Yemeni similarly jokingly and almost proudly refers to himself as a Blackie," Kimche wrote.

He said that the Yemenite sabrim are completely undisturbed by their dark skins or origin. They are proud and dignified and secure.

"They still intermarry mainly with their own kind. They are good dancers, brave soldiers, polite policemen and good artisans and craftsmen. They learn quickly if not deeply."

Kimche noted that objections to "intermarriage" came from both sides. Western parents object to their children marrying the children of the Oriental Jews and the parental feeling is reciprocated.

THE PROBLEM

Kimche saw the problem in these terms: "Can Israel, by a process of intense understanding and mass education, cover the gap of knowledge and comprehension between the Oriental and Western Jews in one generation. Can such directed education leap the normally required period of two or three generations?"

"All Israel's other problems—even the economic one—pale before this task."

Officials of the Israel Foreign Ministry are now exempted from wearing formal dress during official functions due to the prevailing austerity program and the recently introduced rationing of clothing and footwear.

Israel Critics Rap

"Blithe Spirit" Run

TEL AVIV—"Blithe Spirit," the comedy by Noel Coward, in a Hebrew translation by Yair Buria was a recent production at the Chamber Theatre here. The play was directed by Chanan Simtal, with settings by Jean David.

Most of the press criticized the Chamber Theatre for selecting this play for production as being far from having any relation to life in this country. Some papers, however, commended the theater for continuing its policy of presenting works by authors new to the Hebrew stage.

Job Bias Declining In Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA — Educational activities by the Government are helping to "create a social climate favorable to non-discrimination in employment," the Philadelphia Fair Employment Practices Commission reported this week.

The report said a number of employers here have voluntarily set up programs for the integration of minority workers. The report also asserted that labor unions are erasing "lily-white" policies and workers themselves are accepting fellow-workers on an equal basis.

The conference technique of meeting with employers on complaints of job discrimination has been very satisfactory in adjusting complaints, the report said.

ZOA Adopts 2 Villages Of Youth In Israel

NEW YORK—The ZOA has adopted two youth villages in Israel. The children in both colonies number over 500 and come from 28 lands.

The ZOA plans to establish trade schools at the villages to afford these youngsters the chance to train and become the skilled citizens of tomorrow. A Plumbers' School, Electrical and Textile training centers are on schedule for erection.

Hoosier Jewish Center Opened On Sabbath For GIs After Debate

National Jewish Post

INDIANAPOLIS—A decision to open Kirshbaum Center, the local Jewish Community Center, on the Sabbath for Jewish servicemen was approved after heated debate last week.

Three of the city's five Orthodox rabbis, as well as the community's Conservative rabbi, William P. Greenfeld, and Reform Rabbi Maurice Goldblatt, attended the meeting of the Kirshbaum board of directors.

Rabbi Greenfeld and the three Orthodox rabbis spoke against the proposal. Rabbi Goldblatt spoke in favor of the idea, provided proper respect for the Sabbath was assured. Sholem Ettlinger, a spokesman for the lay Orthodox group, spoke for the lay opposition.

OPENING WEDGE SEEN

Foes of the proposal took the position that Sabbath use by servicemen would be an opening wedge to throw the Center open to the community generally on that day. Several bids to open the Center on the Sabbath on earlier occasions all have been beaten down.

The resolution clearing the way for the Sabbath opening passed by a 19 to 17 vote.

The resolution referred only to a "suitable" program and did not contain the qualifying clause "in consonance with the Sabbath."

NO CARD-PLAYING

There were strong indications, however, that the Sabbath GI program will avoid use of the Center's athletic facilities, card-playing or similar activities.

The program will be handled by the armed services committee, an arm of the Indianapolis Jewish Welfare Federation, which is headed by Emanuel Deitz and Mrs. Louis Rappaport.

A subcommittee of the committee, headed by Merrill K. Cohen, chairman of the local American Jewish Congress chapter, will handle supervision of the program.

Cohen said he believed no desecration of the Sabbath would be involved in opening the Center for such activities as reading, and use of the Center radio and television set.

OPPOSES ATHLETICS

Cohen said he was opposed to any use of the Center's athletic facilities by the servicemen. Actual details of the program will be worked out at a meeting Sunday of the executive board of the armed services committee.

The sum of \$250 has been appropriated for the additional program, to cover more maintenance and an extra staff worker.

There are two military camps near the city and a substantial number of Jewish servicemen are stationed there.

More CJFWF Regions Ask Israel Central Fund

NEW YORK—(WNS)—Creation of a central Israel fund in the U.S. to insure maximum benefit from philanthropic contributions through local Jewish welfare funds, was urged this week by two regional conferences of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, making a total of six regions which have voted similar action at their annual conference.

Delegates attending the conference, held in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, discussed major problems facing American Jewish communities in planning to meet their 1951 responsibilities, overseas, to provide maximum contributed funds to Israel, through a strengthened UJA campaigning within the welfare funds, and for all other valid Jewish local, national and overseas causes.

Orthodox Meet On Chaplains Aid

National Jewish Post

ST. PAUL, Minn. — A special conference of the Alumni Association of the Hebrew Theological College of Chicago will meet Oct. 30 at the seminary to consider plans to provide Orthodox rabbis for chaplaincy duty.

Announcement of the conference was made by Rabbi Morris C. Katz, of St. Paul, president of the alumni association.

Rabbi Silverman Again Heads Racial Group

HARTFORD, Conn. — Rabbi Morris Silverman was re-elected chairman of the Connecticut Inter-racial commission at its annual meeting last week. He is the only clergyman heading a state commission.

Convalescent camps for Arab children have been opened in several towns by the Israel Ministry of Social Welfare.

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NAMES IN THE NEWS

RABBI BERNSTEIN'S LIFE ARTICLE
HELD UNRELATED TO TRUE JUDAISM

AMONG the estimated 20,000,000 persons who read the "Life" article, "What the Jews Believe" by Rabbi PHILIP BERNSTEIN of Rochester, N.Y., was WILL HERBERG, noted lay student of Talmudic lore. Herberg, writing in the current "Jewish Frontier," examined the Bernstein article in the light of Rabbinic and Talmudic writings. He concluded that Rabbi Bernstein's version was "not the traditional faith of Israel. Just as little is it the teaching of the really significant religious thinkers of our time." For all the familiar phrases used by Rabbi Bernstein, said Herberg, the article "seems to me to bear no real relation to authentic Jewish faith."

The New Rivalry

The open door in high places in Washington for JACOB BLAUSTEN, president of the American Jewish Committee, swung again this week, to the intense annoyance of American Zionist leaders. Blaustein, who has met twice with President Truman since his return from Israel in August, conferred with Assistant Secretary of State GEORGE McGHEE and Deputy BURTON BERRY last week. The AJCommittee announced that the purpose of these conferences was to supply President Truman and the State Department with background material on economic, social and political matters in Israel, a role which the Zionist movement continues to feel ought not to be played by American non-Zionists.

The Great Meeting

The path of Zionism trodden to such vigorous effect by Econ-

The New Tradition

Scarcely a month goes by without some court decision somewhere in the United States against discriminatory practices in colleges and universities, according to Federal Security Administrator OSCAR R. EWING. Speaking at the 28th annual conference of presidents of Negro Land Grant colleges in Washington, Ewing said he believed that "the year 1950 may well have sounded the death knell for second-class citizenship in America's institutions of higher learning."

With the Rabbis

Rabbi MAURICE ARANOV, formerly spiritual leader of Temple Beth Joseph of Herkimer, New York, has been elected to the pulpit of the Jewish Community Center of Haverstraw, N. Y.

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Radio Roundup

The Post will present here weekly a summary of nationally-broadcast radio programs of interest to Jewish listeners. No responsibility is assumed by The Post for last minute change by radio networks.

SUNDAY, OCT. 29—Rabbi Hyman Judah Schachtel of Houston, Tex., speaking on "The Sanctity of the Individual," last of a series of sermons on the "Message of Israel" program, 10 a.m. EST, ABC.

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REPORT FROM HOLLYWOOD

HOLLYWOOD'S ZIONIST ACTIVITIES
LARGELY OF POST-PARTITION ERA

By SIMON WINCEMBERG

SEVERAL pages of illegible notes, garnered during a recent warm Sunday afternoon in a Beverly Hills backyard, lead me temporarily to the conclusion that large-scale and audible pro-Zionist sentiments in Hollywood are but a fairly recent development. Until shortly before partition was voted for Palestine, the feeling here is said to have been that any motion picture personality who openly supported Zionism would jeopardize the British market for films in which he had a hand.

Possibly the most publicized example of such retaliation is Britain's one-time ban on pictures written by Ben Hecht, though that may have been partially due to the one of those amazingly blood-thirsty full-page ads in which Hecht announced that every time some British soldiers are killed in Palestine, "the Jews of America make a little holiday in their hearts." Even TIME magazine, not ordinarily given to sounding agast, recorded the quote rather somberly.

ONE OF THE RESULTS of this reluctance to help Zionism openly was that a good many film personalities gave their support secretly via the Irgun, whose propaganda machinery, for a while, seemed to be a good deal better oiled than that of Haganah.

In keeping with Hollywood's respect for British sensitivity, George Jessel, at a dinner for the United Jewish Appeal in Denver four years ago, accused Jews of being unfair to England, and of not being sufficiently appreciative of what she had done for Palestine.

Among the few, who at that time were willing to risk possible British displeasure, were Robert Rosen (Academy Award winner for "All the King's Men") who shared a speaker's platform with a Haganah representative at a rally in the Hollywood Legion Stadium.

And most conspicuously, Eddie Cantor, who even then engaged in numerous United Jewish Appeal activities on behalf of "my people."

Among film stars, a great deal of help was given by Melvyn Douglas, who participated in Zionist pageants in the Hollywood Bowl. More recently, Glenn Ford has earned himself a name as a frequent and tireless speaker for UJA.

THE REST OF THE NOTES covers studio executives who today take more than an elementary interest in Jewish affairs. There is Milton Sperling, who arranged for Israeli film representative Yehoshua Brandstetter to meet some of the leaders of the Hollywood film industry at the home of producer S. P. Eagle. Leon Frumkess, vice-president of the Sam Goldwyn studios, also helped the Brandstetters in a number of ways. And Sid Solow, head of Consolidated Films, whose support of Israel's growing film industry is described as "ardent, devoted, selfless," and who has made the technical facilities of his studio fully available to the Hadasah "Adamah" film and others, has been extremely helpful in procuring technical equipment to outfit the Israel Motion Picture Studios at Hertzliah.

AS a first move in getting "The Wall," John Hersey's best-seller about the Warsaw Ghetto, made into a Selznick picture, there is VARIETY'S report of Fred Zinneman, the man responsible for the considerable artistic success of "The Search," having been signed to direct the film. Plans are for it to be shot in Europe in the unspecified future.

THOUGH short subjects are almost never mentioned in newspaper ads, Paramount has hired a full column inch in the Los Angeles DAILY NEWS to advertise "The New Pioneers," a film about Israel, as "The INSIDE Story of the Newest of Nations!"

As an additional sendoff for the film, a press luncheon was given at the studio and followed by a special screening. Among those marked present were Dr. Max Nussbaum of Temple Israel; the Rev. Henry E. Scherer, representing the Federal Council of Churches in Los Angeles; and Edward Kramer and Isidor Gross of the Zionist Organization of America executive board, Southern Pacific region.

THE \$30,000 worth of free spot announcements the Los Angeles United Welfare Fund got this year were placed with local radio stations by the Dean Simmons Agency entirely free of charge. Mr. Simmons, a non-Jew, is a paraplegic who runs several thousands of dollars worth of advertising business a week from a wheelchair, and has given as well as found employment for numerous disabled veterans, a project in which he has had the cooperation of the California Jewish VOICE, local Anglo-Jewish weekly.

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WOMEN'S VIEWPOINT

FADS AND FACTS IN PARENTS DUTIES:
WHAT PRICE CHILD PSYCHOLOGISTS?

BY HELEN COHEN

THE difference between the way we train our children today and in the Victorian days is described for us by Sidonie Matsner Gruenberg in the June "Readers Digest," condensed from "Women's Day" magazine.

On one of the phases of training, obedience, the answer in those days was "Cost what it may, break the child down to obedience to the first command. If you are careful never to let disobedience escape effective punishment, you will find it not too difficult to maintain your absolute authority."

The answer now? "... It (obedience) is something a child learns gradually... Confine your demands and orders to essentials... When you do tell your child to do something, say it as if you meant it—firmly but not harshly or unpleasantly. Let your child know that you expect to be obeyed. Then see that you are. Sometimes the conviction in your voice and the expression on your face are not enough. Then, gently but firmly, close the book for him, take away the knife, lead him upstairs yourself."

As any fool kin plainly see, there is no difference, except in degree. The iron hand is still there, even if today it is held in a velvet glove.

RUTH MILLETT, ONE OF OUR local columnists in the daily press, recently wrote a piece around the fact that some award-winning mother of 13 children explained that her young ones "mind" her; otherwise she could never have managed.

Would you ladies care to join me in a book burning ceremony—just some worn out child psychology tomes?

AFTER having my column chopped off prematurely twice now, in order to make room for our Hollywood columnist, I'm thinking I deserve some recompense. Perhaps I could use this opportunity to turn an honest penny by arranging a shiddach between one of our readers and the columnist.

Now that we are assured of the presentability of our west coast Lothario from his several pictures and the statement that he hits the six foot mark, I could—for a small fee—arrange to forward interested correspondence to his P.O. box, with the understanding that in case of a wedding announcement, the remainder of the sum be duly turned over to this shadchan.

Don't hold back, girls.

I'LL HAVE THAT GUY SO BUSY answering his mail, he won't have time to write long-drawn-out essays which of necessity spill over into my allotted space.

Aside to S.M.: You're doing a fine job, as are all of our contributors, and have my good wishes, but, chaver, have a heart.

AT services the other evening, Ida Miller was telling me that we ought to print more recipes from our readers, that women prefer ideas which they know others have tried and enjoyed.

You can't say that I am one to let opportunity slip by unnoticed. In our food column this week are two recipes donated (at my request) by Mrs. Miller, which is thought for other readers. Also, if the cooks around here are going to help one another, the one who can do the helping might be you.

Mrs. Miller also felt the women's page could be a sort of trading post of ideas, where housewives could come with questions and problems, for which other readers might have solutions. Nothing wrong with that and if you like, the space is at your service.

Ask The Post

This column will be a miscellany of items made up mostly of requests for information from readers. Letters should be addressed to "Ask The Post," NATIONAL JEWISH POST, to any of our three offices, Indianapolis, St. Louis, or Louisville. Gentlemen:

Please excuse in advance my bad English. I would like to exchange Israel stamps or Israel "First Day Covers" with some U.S.A. collectors for Swiss used or mint stamps; also Latin America airmail stamps. Could you get me please some addresses interested in the above matter? I also would like to ask you, if any of you Jewish people there could supply me with a second hand Scott Standard Stamp Catalogue, 1949 or 1950 edition. I have not had a catalogue for two years and we cannot buy one here in Israel as we have no foreign currency.

IVAN KUPFERMANN
Sasson Abbo House
Tiberias, Israel

Jobs No Problem
In Israel Right Now

JERUSALEM — Employment will not be a major problem among Israel's newcomers in the coming months because as the Winter approaches, the citrus industry will require at least 6,000 additional workers.

Home Grown Correspondents
The National Jewish Post

YOUR
NAME

Conducted By
N. PEARLROTH

Want to know what
your name means? Ad-
dress your question to Mr.
Pearlroth, National Jewish
Post.

Biback
Riczer

Phyllis Biback, 389 Castlefield Ave., Toronto, Canada, writes: I would very much appreciate it if you would tell me what my name means. I can't tell you very much about the family's history except that my grandfather and his people are from Europe. They are Polish.

BIBACK (more correctly Bibick) is a trade name. It is derived from the trade of the dyer, a flourishing Jewish occupation for the last 3,000 years. There is a European plant whose English name is Harmel.

It grows in Southern Russia and yields a beautiful red dye called Harmalin, which was formerly greatly favored for the dyeing of cloth. The Russian and Polish names of this plant is Bibika—Bibik in Jewish—and it is from this plant that your family name is derived.

Mrs. A. A. Friedman, 520 Crockett St., Beaumont, Tex., writes:

I would appreciate knowing the meaning of my maiden name, Riczker. I believe it originated in Austria. My parents came from Buchovina.

RICZKER is a family name of geographical origin. It was adopted by a former inhabitant of the little town of Rzecki near Rochaczew, Poland. The Jewish name of the town is Riczke to which a derivative "r" was added. Rzecki means "two little streams." Two small brooks cross the town, to the present day.

Not at all! There are not special cases. **YOUR** name too has a meaning stemming out of the vast history of a great people. Find out what your name means by writing Mr. Pearlroth, care of The Post. Be sure to include something of the history of your family in your query. The reply will appear in this column.

If It's Vital, It's In
— The National Jewish Post

What Foods These Morsels Be

★ ★ ★

MRS. A. J. Miller, 5794 N. Pennsylvania, Indianapolis, offers recipes for mondel bredt and for a cranberry and pineapple mold which goes well with Thanksgiving turkey.

MONDEL BREDT

4 eggs 3 tsp. baking powder
1½ c. sugar 1½ tsp. lemon juice
½ c. crisco 1 tsp. vanilla
3 c. all purpose flour ½ c. chopped almonds

Sift ingredients together. Cream crisco and sugar. Add eggs (one at a time). Beat well, add flavorings, then add flour and mix well. Add nuts. For Marble effect, divide dough in half and add 1 square melted chocolate. Add to other dough. Chill in refrigerator two hours. Remove from refrigerator and place dough on floured board. Shape into three loaves and place on cookie sheet and bake 40 minutes at 350 degrees. Cut into slices and toast five minutes.

CRANBERRY AND PINEAPPLE MOLD

2 boxes red Jello 1 can strained jelled cranberries
2 c. boiling water 1 No. 2½ can crushed pineapple

Add boiled water to jello and let cool till consistency of egg white, then add crushed pineapple and jelled cranberries. Put mixture in refrigerator for overnight.

JWB SETS BUDGET FOR 1951

AT TWO MILLION; HIKE OVER 1950

National Jewish Post

CHICAGO—The National Jewish Welfare Board executive committee this week adopted a 1951 budget of \$2,049,922, a substantial increase over 1950 needs.

The budget was recommended by a two-day meeting of the JWB national finance council. The JWB receives its funds through allocations from local federations and welfare funds.

U.S. Youth Push
Aid To Collectives

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK—The National Jewish Youth Congress is ready to go ahead with its program to "adopt" recently established agricultural settlements in Israel, President M. David Weiss disclosed this week.

The plan was approved at the annual assembly of the youth conference in September. The youth conference, sponsored by the National Jewish Welfare Board, represents more than 300 local and regional Jewish youth and young adult councils and national Jewish youth organizations.

The program will provide for establishment of relations between U. S. Jewish youth groups and the collectives. In addition, the American youth groups will conduct projects for the settlements they adopt.

Israel GIs To Get
College In Service

JERUSALEM—The Israel Army recently announced its plan to allow enlisted men to acquire university training in skills enabling them to become reserve officers. The men will receive two months military training during their vacations and regular army pay during the time of their study.

The General Staff will grant scholarships to a limited number of outstanding men, provided they enlist for a specified period in the army.

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What Does Gel'man's 'Free Democratic Republic' Mean?

RABBI Leon Gelman's declaration that his group, the Mizrahi (religious Zionists) do not want a theocracy in Israel comes as welcome information, but most Conservative and Reform Jews will want to see what his declaration means specifically before they accept it at face value.

If Mizrahi wants a free democratic republic for Israel as Rabbi Gelman states, what do these words mean when a Conservative or Reform rabbi wants to perform a marriage in Israel? What do these words mean for those Jewish citizens of Israel who want to break away from an Orthodox synagogue and form either a Conservative or Reform congregation? In a "free democratic republic," any group of citizens might form any kind of a religious body, but will Rabbi Gelman's republic permit such "democratic" action?

The POST has never sided with those critics who have been tearing their hair about the "stranglehold" of the Orthodox religion in Israel. After all, Israel is only two years old, and will be able to make its own decisions religiously when the proper time arrives.

Neither the rabbinate nor Orthodoxy nor any other kind of group or individual will decide what kind of religious development the Israeli will work out. Out of the environment which is Israel, the citizens of the state will find expression for their religious ideals, which to them will be meaningful. This will be their Judaism.

Just as the Orthodox in the United States have had to accommodate their practices to the people in the United States to whom they minister, so will the same development take place

in Israel. The prediction that Israel Jews will turn away from religions because of the intransigence of the Orthodox rabbinate is an empty fear.

The POST is for letting the Jews of Israel solve their own religious problems. Most certainly the rabbinate of the U.S. and the rest of the world is vitally concerned with the situation and most certainly they have every right to try to do something about it, providing of course, that they don't let their excitement get the better of them. The POST has more faith in Jews than have a good many Jewish leaders, both lay and rabbinical. Given time and cooperation, Israel will work out its religious problem.

If Rabbi Gelman's statement is really implemented and the Jews of Israel are given freedom to find their own religious level without arbitrary direction from any source, then the problem will be solved sooner than later. The Jews of Israel have shown that they will not be dictated to by American businessmen, American Zionists or by rabbis. Religious-minded Jews everywhere should cooperate with Israeli religious leaders in every way, but they should refrain from trying to impose the kind of religion on Israel which they have decided Israel should have. Such a course leads only to dissension and will delay the time when Israel will develop a religious practice of its own, indigenous to the people and to the country and as much a part of it as Jerusalem or the Biblical places or the seashore at Tel Aviv.

The Israel Jewish community cannot be irreligious or a-religious for longer than a relatively short period of time.

Where the Rabbis Have Failed

DESPITE all the vaunted achievements of the American Jewish community, despite our organization and over-organization, despite our fine rabbinical seminaries and the rabbinate itself, we have not as yet been able to make any progress in the very necessary field of the Jewish communities too small to support a synagogue.

In many such communities, far from the centers where there are synagogues, Jews are being lost to Judaism.

The fault lies with our rabbinical bodies which have not concerned themselves with this problem.

The idea of the organic community, if it could be implemented, would provide the rabbinical manpower or even lay people trained in conducting services and imparting Judaism, to meet the situation: Under the organic community system, the community-at-large would employ the rabbi, transforming him into a servant responsible to the community as a whole instead of a single congregation.

In a state like Indiana, where there must be hundreds of communities whose Jewish children have very little contact with Judaism, there could be a program of two or three traveling rabbis.

The following excerpts from a letter from

Rabbi Selig Auerbach of Aberdeen, S. D., tells of the progress he is making in serving such Jews in his section of the state.

Rabbi Auerbach writes:

"I am the only rabbi in this entire neighborhood, and I have conceived of the idea that I have a responsibility toward the many Jews living scattered and isolated around here. So I visit them and T. G. (Thank God) they are again becoming interested in things Jewish. Some even come now for all the holidays, not only Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur, to our synagogue.

"In these weeks I got a fine reward when a family who so far had given no religious instruction to their children, living more than 90 miles away from here and alone, asked me to teach their son. Within three weeks he learned how to daven. He now comes here every week for three days."

Rabbis usually have enough problems in their own congregations without "borrowing" additional duties. But the rabbis have failed to point out the problem so that the Jewish community might know of it and perhaps do something about it.

At their next conventions, the "three wings of Judaism" should appoint committees to study the problem and make recommendations to the Jewish community.

Wants To Know What a Jewish Frat Is

HERE is a letter from Irwin M. Rich, 7751 S. Kingston Ave., Chicago, which is its own editorial and requires no answer:

"I am a proud father of a fine young man attending one of our state universities, who has joined one of the Jewish fraternities on campus.

"I have visited with him and have made a tour of other Jewish fraternities as well as Hillel Foundation; and have been left with a question which I have been unable to answer to my own satisfaction or to the satisfaction of others who like myself are perplexed.

"I am therefore taking the liberty on behalf of myself and other parents of writing you and hope that you will take the time to give me a straightforward answer or solution to this problem.

"The question is: 'What constitutes a Jewish fraternity?' This question may have been asked of you or answered by you previously; but bear with us and give us your answer.

"I have been told that the mere idea of having all Jewish students in the fraternity house makes it a Jewish fraternity. In my visits I have found non-kosher food being served; no Jewish holidays being observed and nothing of Jewish interest being stressed. Are these out-

standing features of Jewish fraternities? Or are these Jewish fraternities because non-Jewish fraternities exclude our boys?

"If this is the rock-bottom reason, don't you think that Jewish fraternities should be Jewish with some semblance of Jewishness?

"Kindly give me your opinion so that I can understand and explain to others the views of the men who know the inside work."

The POST has advocated that Jewish fraternities and sororities begin to mark the holidays, that they institute Friday night candle lighting and kiddush, that they stop desecrating the Sabbath with Friday night dances and house parties. In addition, they could make their fraternity house look as though Jews lived in them—perhaps by a picture or two of Jews bending over the Talmud in intense and loving study, or of a scene in Israel or by other Jewish art objects.

These are only minimal requests and very, very simple to institute. But the response has not been exactly overwhelming.

The question is what happens to the sons and daughters from truly religious homes when they join fraternities and sororities. They can't be so overawed by convention that their influence is totally dissipated. Or can they?

THE EDITORS CHAIR

I HAD A pleasant talk with Victor Fischel, president of Seagrams, on my trip to New York, and found him to be a very likeable chap. He's even a good Jew, despite the fact that he must be a tremendously wealthy man.

Mr. Fischel does not hold with the more commonly accepted theory that there is a significant revival of Judaism in the United States. After we had talked the point over for a while, he conceded that his opinion might not be accurate since he was basing his judgment on his observations among the people with whom he had contact—at the "club" most specifically. He recited how many wealthy parents of his acquaintance refused to allow their children to absent themselves from school on Yom Kippur. Mr. Fischel was almost bitter about this.

His own daughter, the only child, is being married in a few weeks, and Mr. Fischel must be a doting father because everyone in the establishment was already talking about the great occasion. Mr. Fischel's home is not Orthodox; it was once, but it is still very much Jewish with observance of the Friday night ceremonies and of course, the holidays.

ONE OF THE MEN whom—alongside of Sam Rothberg and Julian Venesky of Peoria—the emergence of the Jewish State is making into a national Jewish figure, is Melvin Dubinsky of St. Louis. Melvin isn't as hated yet as Sam and Julian. But, in a reaction which is typical of popular attitudes toward martyrs, you'll either love these guys or get so incensed by their almost blind devotion to their cause that you think you hate them.

Last week at lunch in St. Louis, Melvin told me about his trip to Madison, Wis. The community had raised something like \$170,000 in 1948 and then, like too many other Jewish communities, had dropped to closer to \$100,000 last year.

Melvin set himself a goal—to get the Madison Jewish community back to the 1948 standard. When he left there, with the big gifts dinner over, that was exactly where the drive stood.

At an afternoon session with about 20 leaders, Melvin made a proposal that everyone go back

to their 1948 gifts. After a few hours, all but two had agreed. Then Quentin Reynolds told just one story and that brought the two around. That night at the dinner, the rest of the big givers had to follow the pace set by the leaders.

Last year, or maybe the year before, the community built two new synagogues and were told that these were built at the expense of Jewish lives in Israel. This year the community has done as well probably as any other in the United States.

Melvin, like Gold Dust twins Rothberg and Venesky, has traveled the length and breadth of the United States over and over again, all at his own expense. (Don't say I told you but last year his travel expenses for United Jewish Appeal trips, all paid for out of his own pocket, was \$5,200). So far as I know, Melvin is still welcome in most of the communities he has visited, which is something you can't say about the Gold Dust twins. If Sam and Julian were to write their autobiography, it would become a best seller in the Jewish community. The POST would probably double or triple its circulation if we could print it serially.

I don't know how the future will estimate these men, a new phenomena on the American Jewish communal scene, but I think it can be said now that such men were responsible for setting the pattern of giving in the United States and keeping it as a high level. More could be said, but this one achievement—meaning as it does millions of dollars for Jewish causes—is significant enough to put them in all Jewish history books.

THE FOLLOWING poem was sent in by a subscriber's husband. His wife, the author, wants to remain anonymous. In the covering letter, he writes that "The evil and grief they (fraternities and sororities) produce in high school are just as serious (as in college) if not more so."

High school fraternities had not yet reached the South in my school days but I am sure they are less beneficial in high school

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Portion of the Week

VAYERAH

PARSHAS Vayerah. Gen. 18:1-22; 24; Haptharah II Kings 4, 1-37. This portion is full of drama. It tells of the destruction of the evil cities of Sodom and Gomorrah and the Separation of the tribes of Abraham and Lot. The story of Lot's wife has become a great lesson for our people throughout the ages. Whenever we had to leave destruction behind, we were able to live on meaningfully only when we did not look back, otherwise our hearts were petrified, incapable of coping with new conditions. Abraham was visited by three messengers of God, announcing the birth of a son in his old age. This event is followed by the casting out of Abraham's maid-wife Hagar, who according to Philo symbolized through her very name (the stranger) the fate that was to be hers, when she was cast out with her son Ishmael, who was to become the father of a great nation of desert dwellers. One of the highlights of the portion is the Akedah Yitzchok, the sacrifice of Isaac. Through this story we are taught the importance of obedience to God, of the use of animal sacrifices instead of human ones.

The Akedah has become the synonym of the suffering of our people through the ages, the blood of our martyrs. In the Haptharah we hear of Elisha, the Prophet, who took every opportunity to bring healing and blessing to others, as Abraham did, and practiced loving kindness as the ideal of his ministry.

—Rabbi Frank Rosenblum

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WHY SHOULDN'T DR. KAPLAN WEAR CHICHIS, READER WANT TO KNOW

Editor, National Jewish Post:

I am impelled to comment on your contribution to cosmic thought in the profound editorial in your issue of Oct. 6 concerning the reactions of Mr. "Shoolem" Ettinger . . . to Dr. Kaplan's denning of what you are quaint enough to call "chichis."

To the "tough mind," novelty is not infrequently pleasing. Priding myself on membership in that not over-modest category of William James, I must confess that I am intrigued by your Francophile conversion of our good old arba Kanfot to the more Parisian form of "chichis." Have you any more sublimations of the rugged Hebrew into the elegant French up your philological sleeve?

But let us proceed. Chaver Shoolem Ettinger may be an estimable citizen. You say he is a prominent Zionist. I shall not hold that against him. Nor even your statement that he is a "rigid Orthodox believer." In fact, some of my best friends are Zionists and Orthodox Jews. In fact, not too long ago, I was an Orthodox Jew myself and I'm still a Zionist. But what precisely is the point of Mr. Ettinger's losing his equilibrium at the sight of Dr. Kaplan's "chichis?" Are arba kanfot the sole prerogative of the Netura Karta, or their chassidim here? What cosmic significance shall we ascribe to Mr. Ettinger's consternation? I can hardly wait for your reply.

Now I am not a chassid of Dr. Kaplan. There are some matters in which I disagree with him. But there are more in which I agree with him. I have known him for many years, listened to him speak, read his books and what is more, lucubrated, sometimes painfully, over what he has been trying to get across. And I rise to say that he is and has been the most thoughtful, the most provocative, certainly the most stimulating influence in intellectual and religious Jewish life in this country and perhaps elsewhere. But more than that he is and has been incandescent in his sincerity and his deep, inextinguishable love for our people and religion. And if he wants to wear "chichis," I rise to defend his right to do so. As a matter of fact, I wear them myself (but I call them, perhaps somewhat

bucolically arba kanfot). And what is more, I don't wear them because the Shulchan Aruch says I should, but because to me they are one of the unique, significant mores that were created by my people and that bind me closer to them. In short, I wear them because I like it, not because I fear Heavenly disaster if I move outside my initial matutinal deled amot without them.

I'm happy, though, that Mr. Ettinger concedes Dr. Kaplan's right to continue wearing his "chichis," and that you too grant, although impliedly, your sanction. That makes everybody happy, including myself—especially as I look forward to more translations from the ancient Semitic into the modern idioms in your always entertaining columns.

D.I. KAP

New York

Canada Talmud Has Long Travel History

National Jewish Post

MONTREAL—A volume of the Talmud has taken 22 years to get from Canada to Germany and back again.

During World War II, it was impossible to obtain the Talmud from Europe. An edition was published by the Jewish Daily Eagle. It enjoyed a wide sale on this continent.

The much-traveled volume became part of a nazi collection when the Jewish scholar who owned it was killed. It is one of 1,500 books from the libraries of martyred European Jews which the allies have turned over to the Canadian Jewish Congress.

\$300 Awards Offered For Jewish Poetry

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK — Three literary awards for poetry will be made by the Jewish Book Council of America, in connection with Jewish Book Month, Nov. 3 to Dec. 3.

An award of \$100 will be made for a book of poetry in English, \$100 for one in Hebrew and \$100 for one in Yiddish. The three awards will be given to authors of works published in the 1950 calendar year and published in the United States.

The Editor's Chair

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—if that is possible—than they are in college. The chances are that high school fraternities are even more harmful since high school students are less emotionally able to stand the shock of a blackball or being an outcast for no reason having to do with them as individuals.

I was not accepted in the famous sorority "Tsimes Esmich Phi" And I'll give you the reason why—

In their estimation, after careful consideration, I didn't qualify. You can just imagine what happens when some 30 girls take a rushee apart

It's really pathetic how they start—

To begin with, they'd like to know about my family tree and if the Papa has a P.H.G. (Papa hot gelt).

Next, if the family on the Mayflower landed, or were they only in the third class stranded?

In what section of town do they reside?

Have they any skeletons to hide? And, if by any chance just one girl isn't too fond of you—then you're sunk—you're through, because there's no chance to make the sorority you can see

If two other members with her agree. Not by majority rule—just by open vote—

Get up the three girls and quote: "She's a wet blanket—too plain" (at the age of 15, I'm not as yet vain) or

They don't like my looks; I pay too much attention to books; I haven't as yet mastered how to gracefully hold my cigarette; How many cashmeres do I count, otherwise I don't amount.

At the conclusion of the meeting they all agreed to invite those girls they discussed—to a rush tea—

They all know by this time who will make the sorority;

But according to custom, they rush you twice before you find out

You're not quite so nice.

At first it's a little shock, you begin taking stock

And you discover it's not because you're inferior, but definitely quite superior, to those who the standards set—

And I'm very, very glad I'm not a "Tsimes Esmich Phi."

Now I know the reasons why.

Stembrink, Blaustein To Address JDA Meet

National Jewish Post

CINCINNATI—Justice Meier Steinbrink and Jacob Blaustein will give major policy addresses at the fifth annual meeting of the Joint Defense Appeal in Cincinnati next month.

The convocation will be held Nov. 10-12. The JDA is the fund-raising arm of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, of which Steinbrink is national chairman, and of the American Jewish Committee, headed by Blaustein.

The three-day meeting will study the budgets and programs of two civic defense agencies as the basis for setting a 1951 campaign goal. During the past two years, the two agencies have sought about \$6,000,000 for their budgets but have never disclosed actual allocations.

The Israel Government has lent the Tel Aviv municipality \$1,000,000 with which to build a modern maternity hospital on a site near the present government seat in this city.

NJP REPORT ON SERVICE CLUB BIAS RIGHT FOR MINN., WRONG IN MINNEAPOLIS

Editor, National Jewish Post:

I was quite surprised to read in the Friday, October 6th issue of the National Jewish Post of what I was supposed to have reported to your paper regarding discrimination prevalent in service clubs in Minneapolis.

In view of the fact that I carry on my activities in the entire state, it is very possible that your inquirer misunderstood what I had to say about this matter. So that the record will be straight, please let me correct the statement which you attribute to me, to the effect that the Lions, Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs in Minneapolis do not discriminate against persons of the Jewish faith. This is true with reference to the city of St. Paul, the city of Duluth, and the smaller communities throughout the state, but is not true of the city of Minneapolis.

What you say about the Lions Minneapolis

Club is correct, for they have within recent years opened their membership, and in fact, I am a member of this organization at the present time. However, the Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs, and the Toastmasters Club are completely void of Jewish membership and from all indications intend to stay that way. As you perhaps know, the Minneapolis Automobile Club had the same exclusionist admission policy up to about a year ago. We are hoping that by using the same techniques which were employed for the Automobile Club, that before too many more years pass that the statement erroneously attributed to me, will be factual and true.

SAMUEL L. SCHEINER

Executive Director

Minnesota Jewish Council

RABBI WHOSE SYNAGOGUE DROPPED SUNDAY SCHOOL DISPUTES NJP VIEW

Editor, National Jewish Post:

It was a source of personal pleasure to read your editorial comment in The POST (Oct. 6) entitled "A Deeper Generalization." Referring to my Congregation's decision to abolish its Sunday school program, you note that this " . . . is part of a trend toward a creative Jewish community." Most wonderful!! Especially since I am dealing in Jewish education and not in ladies' hats.

I know that I am not the first to achieve this objective, nor, God willing, shall I be the last. But "trend-shmend," I want to see more congregations placing such announcements in your paper for American Jewry to read and be proud of.

Concerning your "deeper generalization," I cannot help but disagree, for it, like all generalizations, goes too deep. It is more than a reaction to the Hitler days—there is something to be said for American Jewry coming of age; there is something to be said for the appearance on the scene of a vitalizing Conservative Movement; there is something to be said for a forceful younger rabbinate. It is one thing to speak of psychological reactions, but it is another thing to stake a wonderful pulpit on a principle.

RABBI S. SCOLNIC

Tyler, Tex.

Israel and California are the only locations in the world that cultivate flowers all year round, while other countries have to be satisfied with hothouse flowers in the off-season.

Adding Some Facts On Tenure Dispute

Editor, National Jewish Post:

I am writing to you with reference to the reproduction of an article which appeared in the New York Times relating to the action of my congregation, the Free Synagogue of Flushing, in voting me tenure at a recent meeting.

I think it bad taste for the president of any congregation to utilize the New York Times to air his grievance and that of a majority of the Board of Trustees, but inasmuch as your publication reaches Jewish readers, I want to call your attention to a number of misstatements made by Mr. Spielberger. The minutes of the congregational meeting show that the question of tenure was approved by 460 votes as against 3 opposing and 2 abstaining. Present at the meeting were 2 officers of the congregation and 4 trustees. It was reported to me that the treasurer was also present. I have on my desk about 40 resignations; not the 180 as stated by Mr. Spielberger.

This controversy was an internal one with the rabbi and the congregation on one side and the majority of officers and trustees on the other. In the interest of truth, this correction to the article must be made.

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THE RECORD RACK

FOUR NEW JEWISH OFFERINGS— WITH A GOOD ONE FOR THE TOTS

By JOSEPH GALE

RIVKA Mahat, a soprano of solemn dignity, records four Palestinian songs on two 10-inch shellac singles. These are truly Palestinian—agrarian and boundless—contrasting with some of the less lyrical, more recent, Israeli compositions.

Besa Records announces these issues on the third anniversary of Madame Mahat's American debut, October, 1947. Her voice is a warm, high soprano, and she invests the four numbers with some of the feeling of the art song. Unfortunately, the loveliest of these, "Lullabye," is the one in which she flirts a good number of her high notes.

"Lullabye" is coupled with a selection from Song of Songs (H 542). The second record has "Moladeti" and a well-known hora (H 541). Lazar Weiner is the piano accompanist.

THAT original thriller, the Creation, is quite succinctly put by Reena Records out of Albert H. Arkus on a 10-inch plastic record. As well as having written the adaption, Arkus narrates the story—and what a story it always is, the plot so perfectly laid out, the answers so pat. No child can possibly question the logic of the Creation; every child will want irresistibly to search for the lost Garden.

The record is not long-playing, as labelled. The grooves are cut

closer together, affording an extra minute or so of playing time on each side, but the record continues to revolve at 78 RPM.

The same Arkus-spun cause and marvellous effect is woven about the prophetic dreams on which hangs the tale of Joseph and his brothers also a Reena release. The biblical story construction stumbles a bit in this one; a miracle and several visions have to be invoked before the tale is saved.



GALE

AN assortment of the wierdest barnyard sounds are collected in Kinder-Velt's "Six Jewish Nursery Rhymes," a 10-inch unbreakable record, one of relatively few in which the text is narrated entirely in Yiddish.

Masha Benya does the speaking and singing, and we could certainly stand hearing a lot more from her. The Kinder-Velt ensemble, which I suspect is only a piano and mandolin, supplies music by Yasha Freedman. Altogether, this is a delightful presentation and recommended for the 6 to 9 age group.

AJEWISH folk song where you might least expect to find it is one of 18 American songs in "Who Built America" (Folkways Records) in which Bill Bonyun carries the tale of American history through its songs up to present times.

"Shluf Mein Kind" is one of these, a simple artless melody sung by Bonyun in Yiddish. Only one verse of the well-known lullaby is given, but the words are well-pronounced, and the intona-

tion is all there. Bill Bonyun, by the way, looks like the POST's book reviewer, Ward Moore.

Folkways Records, under the able direction of Moses Asch, who has forgotten more about ethnic music than any two persons will ever remember, is located at 117 W. 46th St., New York. Its releases, of which there are now about two dozen in both record speeds, are generally not obtainable in the open market. I advise you to write for the Folkways catalogue and, to your record libraries, add some of these albums which in time will certainly become collectors' items if not out and out rarities.

Israeli Protests Fail; Medics Admit Germans

NEW YORK—(WNS)—The General Assembly of the World Medical Association voted here this week to admit German doctors to full membership of the organization, despite vigorous protests by two delegates from Israel, both victims of Nazi persecution.

Dr. Emil Adler, who fled Czechoslovakia a few days before it was occupied by the Germans, eloquently pleaded against the admission of German doctors into the medical body. The case of the German doctors demanded special consideration, he said, "because of the numerous crimes and terrifying deeds committed during the Nazi rule in Europe," which included the "ruthless slaughter of 6,000,000 innocent Jews." Not only had a number of physicians taken an active part in the holocaust, Dr. Adler averred, but "many German doctors took up the initiative and suggested and perpetrated inhuman experiments, such as forced sterilization, vivisection on human beings."

Dr. E. A. Gregg of the British Medical Association joined Dr. Adler, and Prof. S. G. Zondek of Israel in protesting against the admission of German physicians.

Israel Named To UN Watchdog Unit

LAKE SUCCESS—Israel was elected last week to the United Nations 14-power Peace Observation Commission which will serve as the eyes of the General Assembly in carrying out its new responsibilities for the preservation of world peace.

Israel was included in a list brought in to the Political Committee by the United Kingdom on behalf of the seven states which sponsored the new plan for strengthening the powers of the General Assembly.

The nations which will serve on the committee include the United States, the United Kingdom, U.S.S.R., France, China, Colombia, Czechoslovakia, India, Iraq, New Zealand, Sweden, Pakistan and Uruguay.

Free Cancer Hospital Opened In Calif.

LOS ANGELES—The first complete free cancer hospital in the United States will be opened on the grounds of the City of Hope, medical center in Duarte, Calif., before the end of 1951, it was announced this week.

Victor M. Carter, president, said opening of the cancer hospital will not affect the medical center's policy of admission, which is one of service to all who need, without charge, regardless of race or creed.

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FOUR BOOKS COVER ISRAEL, UNIONS, YIDDISH PRESS AND COURT JEWS

By WARD MOORE

"JEWISH," said Dorothy Parker (nee Rothschild) "are like other people, only more so." Four books at hand illustrate both of this wisecrack.

I regret that Ralph McGill's "Israel Revisited" (Tupper and Love, Atlanta, 116 pages, \$2) did not arrive in time to be included in the notice of Thomas Sugrue's "Watch For the Morning." A parallel review of both volumes might have balanced what some readers might conceive to be an injustice done Mr. Sugrue.

Both Mr. McGill and Mr. Sugrue are newspapermen; both regard Jews with favor; both look upon Israel with hope. Beyond these fundamentals the two diverge. "Watch For the Morning" is a book deeply felt by the author and put together with all the skill at his command; "Israel Revisited" is a series of newspaper columns, with characteristic repetitions and overlapping which Mr. McGill did not think necessary to revise for publication between hard covers.

MR. MCGILL'S thesis is undoubtedly the reaction of a liberal who has heard many anti-Semitic sneers that "You never see a Jew working with his hands." Mr. Sugrue might answer by pointing to the occupations of the Tannaim: woodcutters, blacksmiths, stonemasons, water-carriers. Mr. McGill pounds on the facts of the moment: Jews work with their hands; they work hard with their hands; Israel is built on Jewish sweat. "I have seen small farmers (in Georgia) break their backs on poor, eroded land. Not one I know would tackle a hill near Jerusalem. Those hills make up two-thirds of all Palestine's land."

"Israel Revisited" has a foreword by one Billy Rose, also a newspaperman, which adds nothing to the value of the book.

UNDOUBTEDLY the most important of the four books is "Jewish Labor in U.S.A. by Melch Epstein (Trade Union Sponsoring Committee, 22 West 38 Street, New York; 456 pages, \$5.50). An exhaustive, thoroughly documented study, this story of the fierce and gallant fight to better conditions unbelievably shocking would be fascinating reading even if it were put down carelessly. I am delighted to say that it is not. Not only has the author selected his material from all the diversified and obscure sources with discrimination and devotion, but he has written with vigor and charity. Historians who tinker from time to time with aspects of Jewry in America could take profitable lessons from Mr. Epstein in both method and manner.

The present volume covers the period 1882-1914; presumably another volume or two are in preparation to bring the story up to date. But this book spans the heroic era. American labor has—in spite of its skates and fakers—a strongly militant tradition; as usual, Jews have played a part in the implementation of that tradition far beyond their percentage of the population. On the picket line, in the union meeting or in the leadership, Jewish names, from Gompers to Barondess stand out. It is a good and

proud history; gratitude should go to Mr. Epstein for writing it as well as eagerness for the rest of the story.

"THE Yiddish Press" by Meade Soltes (Block, New York, 242 pages \$2.00) roughly parallels the era treated by Mr. Epstein, and—because of the prominence of the Jewish Daily FORWARD—the subject also. Beyond this all likeness stops. "The Yiddish Press" is a quantitative analysis, published in 1924, with a new title-page and a new foreword. No attempt has been made to bring the material up to date or even add to it. Offering it as a new publication seems to underestimate the intelligence of the reading public.

SELMA Stern's "The Court Jew" (Jewish Publication Society, Philadelphia, 312 pages; \$4.00) is a detailed exploration of the background, personality, exploits and fate of those unusual individuals who broke through the physical, social, economic and spiritual walls of the late Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries to become useful creatures of their gentile masters. Improved methods of waging war, particularly the refinement of the market, which by this time had evolved from a cumbersome and highly inaccurate weapon, requiring the services of three soldiers to carry, aim and fire, to a comparatively handy arm, changed the outlook of European rulers. The mobility, numbers and firepower of armies increased rapidly. The German princelets and princelings began to realize that the decay of feudalism was not an unmixed evil for them. Their sovereignty, which had been sharply limited by the nobility on one side and the imperial power on the other, became more absolute. Personal power plus ready armies changed the tempo of progress.

MODERN ALMIES and modern warfare require commissaries, quartermasters, fiscal agents. The great gentile bankers largely tied to Vienna or the Italian states, looked with distrust not only upon the ambitions of the German rulers, but at their credit ratings. On their side the Electors, Princes, Grand Dukes often found Christian agents trustworthy and incompetent. Bursting ambitions on both sides of the ghetto walls led to the employment of these "Court Jews" with results, satisfactory at first, but generally unhappy in their conclusions.

It is one of the ironies of history that it was to members of a group which had been specifically excluded from bearing arms for two centuries that the German princes turned for help in making war. It is also ironical that these unrepresentative Jews—like Joseph Süss Oppenheimer—should become examples of the synthetic bogey "Jew" so notable in German folklore.

DR. STERN'S work is one of careful scholarship and documentation. Unhappy, the dead hand of Graetz and his mentee, Carlyle, still lies on the writing of Jewish history. Dr. Stern—like Cecil Roth—gone a long way toward escaping it, but still inhibiting fingers still hold the Jewish historian behind the best of his gentile contemporaries.

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THE SPORTS WHIRL

Israeli Show of Military Muscle Somewhat Retrieved

By HAROLD U. RIBALOW

LOOSE string again will be tied together in this week's column. Having got myself lost in Maurice Samuel's book for a couple of issues, I find that minor—but interesting—news items warrant being recorded here.

First, I want to thank William Rosenberg, executive director of Congregation Sinai of Los Angeles, for his kind words concerning this column and his information that Sam Match, the high-ranking tennis player, is Jewish. "I can assure you that Match is Jewish," Mr. Rosenberg writes and adds: "Sam's mother called me about arranging for his recent wedding. I am quite certain you can add his name to that of the many other fine Jewish tennis players—more, perhaps, than we have had in the last few generations."

Then, did you notice that in the final baseball records Sid Gordon batted in an even 100 runs and that Al Rosen, in his first full year, hit 37 home runs (a record for a first-year man) and drove in 110 runs. Gordon, it should be pointed out, slipped badly in the final two weeks of the season. He was, a couple of weeks before the season ended, threatening to

climb into the .300s, but he was lucky to bat .304 when the year ran out on him.

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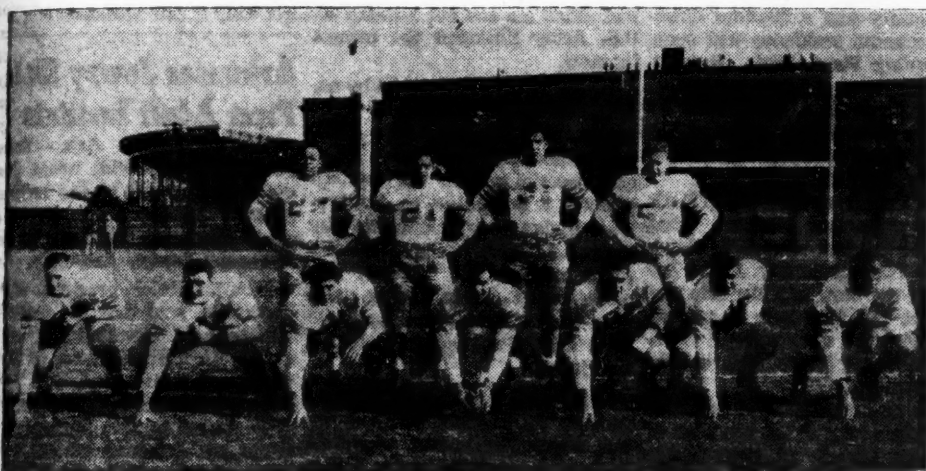
WHEN I was going to NYU, one of the most popular fellows in my journalism classes was a heavy-set pleasant boy named Don Schiffer. I lost track of Don during the war years, but now his name pops up again, for A.S. Barnes has just published a book he has edited, called "My Greatest Baseball Game." In it Don has garnered sports accounts written by America's top sports writers, who devote their talents to ghosting for 30-odd baseball stars. Don has some of the most important players of our time. You can't find too much fault. I would have thought that Sid Gordon belongs there. He is as good as—is there any question about it? Gus Zernial, for example. But, anyway, it is a good book. And I'm glad to see that Don is doing what he always wanted to do—write sports.

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YOU have got to hand it to the Israeli. They manage to salvage something out of every awkward situation. When the Maccabiah ended, it was concluded on a military note. It was the kind of mil-

itarism that Maurice Samuel, in "The Gentleman and the Jew," decries so eloquently. But David Ben-Gurion saved the day. In spite of the overall military aspect of the day, the Premier talked to the athletes of the visiting 16 nations and what do you think he talked about? You'd never guess, unless you read about it elsewhere. He utilized the occasion to tell the youngsters that they should settle in Israel; they should report to the Jews in their home countries that the Israeli are doing fine and, get this, that they should study the Bible and the Hebrew language! In trying to persuade them to study the Bible and Hebrew, he said: "This Book contains the soul of Israel and the Hebrew language has been the medium of expression of Jewish thought for 4,000 years. Jewish sport is inconceivable without mastery of both."

I wonder if Ben-Gurion didn't allow himself to be carried away by it all. It is always good for a Jewish leader to offer advice which leads to the study of Hebrew. What precisely is "Jewish sport"? And what connection sport has with any single language escapes me at the moment and, I'm afraid, will escape me later, too. But the talk helped to take away the taste in the mouth left by the strutting militarism indulged in on that day.



The First Football Team of Brandeis University

Silhouetted against the historic Harvard stadium are the members of the first grid team of the nation's first Jewish-sponsored university. The shot was taken during the visit of the Brandeis squad to Harvard, where the Brandeis team defeated the Harvard University frosh 21 to 13. Left to right: Bob Ryan, Morton Goldfader, Edward Manganiello, Roland Trudeau, Raymond Gilbert, Bob Pierce and Bob Griffin. The backfield members are Dick Jones, Dick Cunningham, Sid Goldfader and Dick Collins.

Canada Y Cage Team Sees Fight For Title

MONTREAL—Only three veterans of the 1949 Montreal YMHA senior team, which won the Canadian national basketball crown, turned up last week for the first practice session of the 1950 season.

The team started the new season with six or seven vacant berths. Murray Waxman and Mendy Morein, forwards, and Ben Lands, guard, are back. All three played in the third World Maccabiah in Israel and they were also on the Canadian Olympic basketball team in Great Britain in 1948.

Last year they helped the Y capture the dominion championship in a final match with the University of Manitoba. Coach Joey Richman told The POST that no position was guaranteed and that "even the old-timers will have to prove themselves."

South America Has 24 Chalutz Centers

BUENOS AIRES—The South American Zionist convention was held last week that there are 15 hachshara (training camps) in South America, with 400 prospective chalutzim (pioneers for Israel) currently in training.

The convention also was told that nine other centers with 200 chalutzim are now operating in Argentina and more than 1,000 Jews have emigrated from South America to Israel since 1947. Of these 600 were chalutzim.

Fate Foils Last Wish Of Ailing Iraq Jew

JERUSALEM—The last wish of a 32-year-old Iraq Jew, suffering from an incurable heart ailment failed of fulfillment last week.

When an Israeli plane carrying Abraham Segaw and other migrants landed at Nicosia, Cyprus, it was found that Segaw had died in flight.

When he boarded the plane for Israel, he said he wanted only one thing—to die in Israel.

Labor Ministry Classes Very Well Attended

TEL AVIV—More than 7,500 persons attended trade training courses of the Ministry of Labor during the year ending August 1, 1950.

Nearly 6,000 of them received instruction in the building trades, more than 750 received training in industries and crafts, and 1,000 attended courses for waiters and building foreman.

Cleveland Orthodox Groups Organized

CLEVELAND—An Orthodox Jewish Association has been organized in Cleveland.

The Jewish INDEPENDENT reported that the new body was designed "to strengthen the Orthodox Jewish community of Cleveland through an association of its organized groups."

Religious, fraternal and Zionist organizations are represented in the new association.

Mizrachi Women Set Million-Plus Budget

NEW YORK—The Mizrachi (religious Zionist) Women's Organization of America wound up its Silver Jubilee convention last week by adopting a budget of \$1,500,000 for the coming year.

Mrs. Lionel Golub of Brooklyn was re-elected president of the organization which claims 50,000 members in 200 local chapters.

An American florist was visited Israel recently has already ordered about \$50,000 worth of Israeli flowers.

Kallen Named To Head Probe Of Philadelphia Congress Rebels

PHILADELPHIA—Prof. Horace Kallen, famous Jewish educator and philosopher, has been named to conduct an official hearing against dissident elements in the Philadelphia Council of the American Jewish Congress.

Disclosure that the national administration of the pro-Zionist civic defense agency had named Kallen was made last week.

Prof. Kallen's decision to handle the investigation followed a meeting of the national executive committee of the Congress. President Irving Miller was authorized at that meeting to name a hearing committee.

SOME LIGHT SHED

The exact nature of the dispute which has roiled the Philadelphia units of the Congress has never been disclosed but the battle reached a peak when John Bernheimer was ousted as executive director of the local Congress Council.

Bernheimer denied charges of malfeasance and dereliction of duty and filed suit to block the ouster. The suit was later withdrawn.

Some clarification of the issues came in a statement to the members by State Sen. Maxwell S. Rosenfeld, president of the Philadelphia Congress.

Rosenfeld said that the hearing had been ordered after a preliminary investigation which substantiated the charges.

THE CHARGES LISTED

These Rosenfeld listed as "the unfortunate and unprecedented resort to the courts, public harangue and public defamation of the American Jewish Congress on matters of internal administration."

Rosenfeld promised that the de-

fendants "will have the opportunity for a fair and complete hearing."

KMPC Now Airing Tolerance Programs

LOS ANGELES—(WNS)—Radio Station KMPC, whose owner G. A. Richards, is currently on trial before a Federal Communications Commission board on charges of allegedly having instructed his broadcasters to doctor news reports along anti-Semitic lines, is currently broadcasting interfaith programs, sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

The radio program is designed to promote understanding and cooperation among racial and religious groups.

The United Nations Secretariat and the Unified Command in Korea have accepted Israel's offer of medical supplies for the U.N. Forces. They have chosen the specific supplies needed by them from the list submitted by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

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U.S. Spokesmen Fight Report Religious Bloc Forced Gov't Fall

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK—American spokesmen for the Religious Bloc of Israel this week challenged reports that the Bloc was responsible for the fall of Israel's first Coalition Government.

The statements came from Charles Bick, president of Hapoel Hamizrachi (HH) the Religious Labor Zionists of America, and from Leon Gellman, chairman of the World Mizrahi executive.

"The outstanding fact of the matter is that the ministers in the Government never resigned and did not cause the fall of the Government," Bick asserted. HH is the strongest member of the Religious Bloc.

BEN-GURION ACTED

He said it is "now certain that Mr. Ben-Gurion's resignation came as a complete surprise and in the midst of negotiations with reference to the proposed changes in the Cabinet."

Bick confirmed reports that members of the Religious Bloc were "still debating their reply when they were informed that Mr. Ben-Gurion was on his way to Rehovoth. A telephone call summoned them to President Weizmann's home where they learned of the Premier's resignation."

"Although the Religious Bloc had bitterly opposed the Government's handling of the religious education of immigrant children, it felt that its obligation to the State of Israel prevented it from resigning from the Government," Bick said.

POSSIBLE PROBE

Bick said HH would demand an investigation of news agencies which carried "the inaccurate reports of the resignations."

Gellman, while bitterly condemning the Israeli Government of Ben-Gurion for its handling of the economic crisis, confirmed Bick's statement.

Gellman said that the current economic crisis had called for a new Government policy to encourage private investment, help implement private enterprise and attract foreign capital, a program Gellman said had been urged by the Religious Bloc.

NOT GOOD ENOUGH

Gellman said that Ben-Gurion had proposed some changes in the Cabinet, but that the proposals were merely a re-shuffling.

"Mr. Ben-Gurion presented this 'reshuffling of the Cabinet' to the



CHARLES BICK
We Didn't Do It

United Religious Bloc as an ultimatum to be answered by a yes or no," Gellman asserted.

"Upon being told that the United Religious Bloc required some time—to be exact, one week—in order to consider the Premier's proposals and to offer suggestions of its own, Mr. Ben-Gurion acted, in our opinion, with unnecessary haste by tendering his immediate resignation."

The statements of the Religious Zionist leaders were supported by the actual development preceding the fall of the Coalition Government.

THIS WAS OMITTED

However, neither Bick nor Gellman mentioned the fact that the Religious Bloc insisted that as a basis for accepting Ben-Gurion's Cabinet change proposals they wanted guarantees on religious, as well as economic issues.

Ben-Gurion's response was to announce he would accept no negotiations, and to fix an immediate deadline. He did not seek to meet with the Religious Bloc when the deadline passed but went immediately to President Weizmann to submit his resignation.

BLOC ANXIOUS TO WORK WITH MAPAI, SAYS OFFICIAL

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK—A leading policy-maker of the Religious Bloc made it plain this week that the religious Zionists were anxious to resume control of the Israel Government in coalition with Mapai, the centrist labor party.

The assurance came from Herman Hollander, former under-secretary of Trade and Commerce in the Israel Government and present chairman of the world Federation of General Mizrahi Zionists.

Hollander arrived Monday from Israel from meeting with Pinhas Rosen, Israeli Minister of Justice. He spoke at a press conference at the offices of the Mizrahi Organization of America here.

GOOD PARTNERS

"No Government for the new state without the constructive forces of the United Religious Bloc is thinkable, even as a Government without the participation of the Mapai party under the leadership of David Ben-Gurion is practicable," Hollander said.

He added that he felt that the Religious Bloc "is the best partner for Mapai in a coalition Government and that the Religious Bloc 'wishes to reach a fair and equitable agreement with Mapai on the principal issues between them.'"

Hollander will report on the Re-

ligious Bloc's position in a speech to the 30th annual convention of Mizrahi at Atlantic City Nov. 1-5.

REPEATS CHARGES

Hollander repeated charges from the religious camp that the Mapai had failed to carry out commitments on religious and economic issues which were agreed upon in negotiations leading to the coalition.

Hollander said that the Religious Bloc had refused to enter a "caretaker" cabinet unless it was headed by Ben-Gurion.

Rome Catholics OK 'Sword' For Italy Run

ROME—Catholic ecclesiastical authorities have placed an "approved" label on "Sword in the Desert," for showing in Italy.

The Catholic authorities control the censorship of films in Italy.

Askenazic Refugees In Tangiers Attain Wealth, Snub Sephardic Jews

TANGIERS—A handful of Ashkenazic (western) Jews who came to Tangiers as refugees, have attained considerable wealth and refuse to have anything to do with the 10,000 Sephardic (Oriental) Jews living here.

Most of the Ashkenazic Jews who came in 1940 have since left and only 70 families remain, according to the Jewish CHRONICLE of London.

The western Jews maintain their own synagogue and refuse to trust the shechitah (ritual slaughter) of the Sephardic community. Hence they eat no meat.

The usual close cooperation between well-to-do Jews in western communities, regardless of

ethnic differences, does not apply in Tangiers.

About half of the Sephardic Jews live in desperate poverty and the Sephardic community is divided rigidly into "haves" and "have-nots." The "haves" of the Sephardic community have no contacts with the Ashkenazic Jews.

The poor Sephardic Jews live 12 in a room, frequently with Arabs. Families are stricken with tuberculosis and trachoma. They live in rooms without light and air.

They are helped by the OSE which runs a clinic and by the Joint Distribution Committee, which recently opened a TB hospital and clinic. Little aid comes from the wealthier section of Sephardic Jewry.

Barn, Mansion Become Temples

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK—A barn in Nassau county and a 28-room Georgian colonial residence will soon be serving New York Reform congregations as synagogues.

The New York Federation of Reform Synagogues reported the latest efforts of its energetic Reform congregations.

The Temple of New Hyde Park communities has located what may be the last barn still standing in Nassau county. Plans are to buy the barn and the site and convert the barn into a synagogue, with the congregation members pitching in to help on the reconversion.

The Community Synagogue of Rye has acquired the mansion of the late George D. Carron and seven acres of land. The beautiful residence will be remodeled to provide religious services, classes, youth activities and other functions of the congregation.

Propose Day School Replace Talmud Torah

LEEDS, England—A proposal for a Jewish day school was offered last week at a meeting of the Leeds Jewish Representative Council to replace the local Talmud Torah.

Several delegates criticized the educational standards of the Talmud Torah. A. M. Hurwitz, chairman of the education committee of the Talmud Torah, said the school had several problems, notably parents of Jewish children.

Hurwitz said parents frequently came to the school with 12-year-old sons and asked that they be taught enough for Bar Mitzvah, an almost impossible task.

If It's Vital, It's In

The National Jewish Post

N. Y. TRIAL OF JEW ON CHARGES OF NAZI MURDER IN THIRD WEEK

World Wide News Service

NEW YORK—Further testimony was taken here this week by the three-man tribunal of the American Jewish Congress on the complaint of Benjamin Krieger, survivor of the Muhlendorf concentration camp in Germany, that another survivor, Meyer Mittleman, had killed his brother Zalman Krieger only a few weeks before the U.S. Army liberated the camp's inmates.

The hearing was marked by excitement and conflicting testimony. Krieger took the stand and reiterated his earlier charges, describing how the accused inflicted a fatal blow on his brother. Under cross examination by Simeon F. Gross, who represented Mittleman, the accused lost patience, refused to answer questions and left the room. Later he returned under the persuasion of the judges.

Krieger's testimony was corroborated by another camp survivor, Jacob Rubinstein, who said he saw the accused strike Krieger's brother as he stood in line for supper in the camp one evening.

Another witness, Dr. Alexander Shonfeld of St. Louis, testified he was a physician at the camp where, he said, he maintained a "primitive hospital," and that he had not heard of the alleged incident. Dr. Shonfeld told the judges he doubted the incident could have happened without coming to his attention.

Another witness, Rabbi Ezekiel Ruttner, testified he was unaware of the beating though he was a Muhlendorf camp inmate at the time. He testified to the "very good" reputation of Mittleman in the camp.

The final hearing is expected within a week.

U. S. Zone City Elects Nazi Mayor

MUNICH—Erhard Memmigen, a founder of the Munich branch of the Nazi party, has been elected mayor of Nuedingen in the American Zone of Germany.

Memmigen was mayor of Nuedingen during the Nazi regime.

Arkansas Jewry Slate First Adult Institute

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Rabbi Samuel Blumenfeld, noted Jewish educator, will be the keynote speaker at the first statewide adult education institute of the Arkansas Jewish Assembly.

Jack J. Botnick, president of the Assembly, said that the institute will be held Thanksgiving week-end at the Temple House of Temple B'nai Israel here.

Rabbi Martin Weitz of Temple Beth Israel in Hot Springs, will serve as chairman of the institute, which will begin with registration of an anticipated 100 teachers from 10 communities and seven congregations.

Israel has already purchased from Turkey supplies to the value of 40,000 pounds, (\$112,000), under the recent 300,000pounds (\$940,000) Turkish-Israel trade agreement.

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